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EUR/PRA FOR MATTHEW HARDIMAN; ISN/CATR FOR MARGARET MITCHELL

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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE ON SNIPER RIFLES DELIVERED

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Classified By: Political Minister-Counselor Kathleen H. Allegrone, reas
ons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(S) Poloffs delivered reftel demarche September 11 to Franck Gellet, MFA DAS-equivalent for Iran, Amb. Xavier Rose, Inter-ministerial Coordinator for Iraqi Reconstruction, and Arnaud Pescheux, desk officer for Iran. Gellet agreed that the sale should be prevented and accepted the non-paper for action. He asked whether the Department had any information on the timing of the intended delivery, and also asked that the demarche be repeated to appropriate French security services via other channels. Post will follow-up and report any further substantive developments.

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